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TO: Clerk of the Education Committee

FROM: Suzanne Knutson, Wilton, CT

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RE: SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874

JUST SAY "NO" to the proposed Regionalization bills SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874.

Do NOT ruin Wilton's educational system! Our schools need to be overseen locally by an administration that can focus solely on the welfare of Wilton's students. Localization is the absolute key to a well-run educational system.

I am vehemently opposed to any attempt at regionalization. Our schools are the crown jewels of our town and they need to be safeguarded. Hartford should not be telling Wilton how to run its schools. The advent of unelected commissioners who lack the criteria and the accountability currently required by Wilton's parents from our superintendent will have dire consequences on educational outcomes. We do not need or want this intrusion into our stellar educational system.

I SAY NO, unequivocally, to SB 738, SB 457 and SB 874!!!!